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*Sen. McCarthy*  
*Comm.*

Assistant to the Director

30 April 1953

Office of General Counsel

Request of Stewart Alsop

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1. [redacted]

[redacted] got in touch with me today

and said that Stewart Alsop had called [redacted] and told him that he expected Senator McCarthy would investigate CIA in the near future and that Alsop would like to do a column on this. In connection with the column Alsop asked [redacted] to let him know what the rights of Congressional committees were to investigate this agency and conversely, what restrictions were imposed by law on our disclosing information to Congress. [redacted] wanted to know what information I had on this and I told him I would get in touch with him as soon as possible.

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2. [redacted] is, I understand, a close friend of both Alsops and I assume that Stewart Alsop asked [redacted] for the above information instead of coming to some of his friends in the agency because he wanted a disinterested legal opinion to support statements he proposes to make in his column.

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*is up here*  
*if you want to speak*  
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